



COMPELIVE

Ka

ite

gaku

tu

i

HOMURA KAWAMOTO
TORI N. OMURA



THE CONTEST
ENDED WITH
NISHINOTQUIN'S
DEFEAT...

YESTERDAY,
THERE WAS A
CONTEST HELD
INVOLVING
STUDENT-
COUNCIL
MEMBER
YURIO
NISHINOTQUIN.

...AND
HER VOTES
WENT TO HER
OPPONENTS, MIYO
INRAMI AND MIRI
YOURAMI.

EVEN AT
THIS EARLY STAGE
IT WAS A HIGH-
STAKES MATCH WITH
EACH SIDE
GETTING TWENTY
VOTES.



...BUT THERE
ARE CERTAIN
CONCERNS
THAT NEED
TO BE
ADDRESSED.

THE
OUTCOME
OF THE
MATCH
ISN'T IN
DOUBT...



MMM...

WHAT DO
YOU THINK,
CHAIRMAN?

KAKIGURU

— Competitive Gambler —

*IT
STINKS!*

*THIS
AAAA
STINKS...*

*...AND NOW
THEY'RE
TRYING TO
TEST US!*

*WE'RE
TAKING A
POSITION OF
"ABSOLUTE
NEUTRALITY"...*

CHAPTER THIRTYNINE: SELFLESS GIRL



OH, NO.
THIS IS
NOTHING.

THANKS
FOR TAKING
ME
HERE,
SUZU-
SAN.

YOU
WERE
A BIG
HELP!
♡

HERE
WE
ARE.



...COME TO
THINK OF IT,
YOU JUST
TRANSFERRED
HERE A BIT
AGO, HUH,
YUMeko?

SO
MUCH HAS
HAPPENED,
IT HARD-
LY FEELS
REAL...

HEE
HEE!

PROMISE
THAT
YOU'LL
BELIEVE
ME?

WHAT'RE
YOU
DOING
IN THIS
LOUNGE
ANYWAY?



HUH?



TA-DA-AH!

IT'S AN
INVITE
FOR A
GAMBLING
MATCH!



TAKE A
LOOK
FOR
YOUR-
SELF.

I'VE
BEEN
INVITED
TO AN
"ELECTION
BATTLE!"

WHAT'S
THAT?

WHOA...

I
BETTER
THANK
KIRARI-SAN
LATER!

THIS
"ELECTION"
IS GREAT!
ALL THESE
BETS, ONE
AFTER THE
OTHER...

"COME TO
LOUNGE #7
AFTER SCHOOL
TODAY TO
ENGAGE IN AN
'ELECTION
BATTLE.'"

"YUMEKO
JABAMI..."

YUMEKO JABAMI

COME TO LOUNGE #7 AFTER
SCHOOL TODAY TO ENGAGE IN
AN "ELECTION BATTLE."



WELL!

THERE'S NO
NAME ON THIS...
WHO GAVE
IT TO YOU?

OOH,
I JUST
CAN'T
WAIT!

SHE'S
NOT LISTEN-
ING...

THIS IS...
MORE OF A
THREAT
THAN AN
INVITE,
ISN'T
IT?





HOW
NICE
TO MEET
YOU.

MY
NAME
IS MIYO
INBAMI.



...AND
THIS IS
MIRI
YOUNBAMI.



WE'RE
NOT
ACQUAINTED
...

WE'VE
NEVER
SPOKEN TO
EACH OTHER.

BUT...



OF
COURSE,
I'M
ASSUMING
YOU
KNOW
US BY
NOW...

...RIGHT,
YUMIKO
JABAMI-
SAN?

DO
YOU
KNOW
EACH
OTHER
...? HUH?



THEY'RE
BOTH
RELATIVES
OF
MINE...

...YES,
I DO
KNOW
THEM.

DISTANTLY
RELATED,
BUT BLOOD
RELATIVES
NONETHELESS.



**THIS
WOMAN
IS OUR
ENEMY.**



YUMeko's RELATIVES?
MISERY-
BANDY
TALKED
ABOUT
SOME KIND
OF TRAMP
LIFE?



I DO
HOPE
WE CAN
GET
ALONG

DON'T
BE SO
FORMAL,
SISTER.



I
ASSUME
YOU'VE
ACCEPTED
IT TOO,
YUMeko-
SAN?

BUT
GIVEN
HOW
YOU'RE
HERE,
AT THIS
TIME...



OH,
MIRI...

...THAT'S
NO
EXCUSE
FOR
IMPOLITE-
NESS.

ENEMY?
DO YOU
MEAN...?



OH!

MY!

WE'LL
BE IN
THIS
GAMBLE
TOGETHER,
THEN?



MIYO INABAMI
MIORI YOHABAMI

COME TO LOUNGE #1 AFTER
SCHOOL TODAY TO ENGAGE IN
AN "ELECTION"

THIS
INVITATION?

THEY'D
ARE THEY
ANYWAY?

THESE PEOPLE
ENTERED THIS
SCHOOL FIGHT
WHEN THE
"ELECTION"
BEGAN...



YES
YES!









OH!

BOUT
TIME YOU
SHOWED
UP!

!?

...RUNA
YOMO-
TSUKI!

IT'S THE
HEAD OF THE ELECTION
COMMITTEE...

...I'VE
ALREADY
BEATEN
THIS!

YOU
SURE
TOOK
YOUR
SWEET
TIME...

WELL
...

I COULD
SAY
THAT,
BUT...

I'M
PART OF
THE COM-
MITTEE
RUNNING
THIS,
AFTER
ALL!

I WAS
JUST
ASKED TO
PRESIDE
OVER THIS
ELECTION
BATTLE.

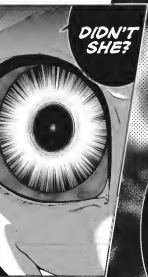
NYA?

WHAT
IS THE
HEAD
OF THE
COM-
MITTEE
DOING IN
HERE?



...YOU
KNOW
WHAT I
MEAN?

...PART
OF ME
REALLY
WANTED
TO SEE THE
FACES OF
THE TEAM
THAT BEAT
YURIKO-
CHAN...



**DIDN'T
SHE?**

**YURIKO-
CHAN IS IN A
POSITION OF
"ABSOLUTE
NEUTRALITY."**

**YOU
COMPETED
AGAINST HER
"FAIR AND
SQUARE"...**

**...AND
SHE
LOST.**



**TEE
HEE!**

**OF
COURSE.**



**I
SEE.**

**YURIKO-
CHAN?
WHO'S
THAT...?**



**...OH!
HER!**

**NISHI-
NOTOLIN-
SAN? FROM
THE STUDENT
COUNCIL?!**

YOU
KNOW
I'LL
WANT
TO
TAKE
SPECIAL
CARE
AS YOUR
DEALER...
RIGHT?

AND
NOW
THE
PAIR
WHO
BEAT
YURIKO-
CHAN
ARE
TAKING
ON THE
YUMEKO
JABAMI.





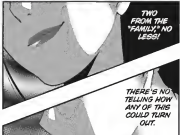
**IS SHE
DELIBERATELY
WALKING INTO
A 2-ON-1
BETTING
MATCH!?**



**OH,
COME
ON!**

**YUMEKO!
A-ARE YOU
SURE ABOUT
THIS?**

**YOU
DON'T
HAVE
TO BET
UNDER
THESE
CONDITIONS,
I DON'T
THINK...**



**TWO
FROM THE
"FAMILY," NO
LESS!**

**THERE'S NO
TELLING HOW
ANY OF THIS
COULD TURN
OUT.**

YUMEKO'S
ALWAYS LIKE
THIS... AND I
LIKE HER THAT
WAY

YUMEKO
NEVER
CHANGES.



I
COULDN'T
BEAR THE
THOUGHT
OF PASSING
IT UP!
♡

I'VE HAD
THIS GOLDEN
OPPORTUNITY
PUT IN FRONT
OF ME!

IF ANYONE
REALLY NEEDS
TO CHANGE
AROUND
HERE...



... LIKE I
HAD TO
ASK.



NNYA?

UM...

CHAIR-
MAN
YOMO-
ZUKI?





CAN...

...CAN I
JOIN IN THIS
ELECTION
BATTLE,
TOO?



I'M
NOT THE
ONE TO
DECIDE.

THAT'S
UP TO YOU
TWO. WILL
YOU ALLOW
THAT?

...
...



**...MESS
SOMETHING
UP FOR
YOU?**



WHAT
DO YOU
THINK,
INBARI-
SAN?
YOUSAMI-
SAN?

I
WANT
TO GET
IN ON
THIS
TOO.

OR
WOULD
MY
INVOLVE-
MENT...



YOU CERTAINLY
HAVE A LOT OF
COURAGE...

TEE
HEE!



**SUZU-
SAN!**

...
HUM
??

YES
...!

WE
DON'T
MIND.



Y-YES!!

I DON'T KNOW
HOW I'LL HELP
ANYTHING THOUGH...



...BUT
THERE'S JUST
SOMETHING
WEIRD ABOUT
THIS
ELECTION.

IT'S
ALL TOO
WELL PUT
TOGETHER.

LIKE
EVERY-
THING WAS
ARRANGED
IN DETAIL
FROM THE
START.

IT'S
GONNA
BE SO
MUCH
FUN
FOR
US!



THIS
IS SO
WONDER-
FUL!
WE
FINALLY
GET TO
COMPETE
TOGETHER
AGAIN!



...THAT'S
ALL I
WANT.

OKAY,
SO FOUR
PLAYERS
IT IS!

IF HE
JOINING
IN CAN
HELP OUT
YUMEKO,
EVEN A
LITTLE...

GREAT!

...NO,
NONE
FROM
ME.

ANYONE
HAVE AN
ISSUE WITH
THAT?

NOW...TO
KEEP THIS
FAIR, WE'LL
PLAY A GAME
THAT I'VE
BROUGHT
ALONG, OKAY!

HERE'S THE
GAME
I HAVE
FOR THE
FOUR OF
YOU...

...IT'S
CALLED
"NIM
TYPE
ZERO"!





YOU'LL COMPETE USING A DECK CONTAINING THESE FOUR CARDS!

I'LL DEAL EACH OF YOU FOUR CARDS TO START.



$\times 10$ $\times 10$ $\times 10$ $\times 10$



40 CARDS

THERE ARE 40 CARDS, TEN OF EACH TYPE—ZERO, ONE, TWO, AND THREE.

EXAMPLE

START



TOTAL: 5
(2+3)



TOTAL: 6
(2+3+1)



TOTAL: 9
(2+3+1+3)

THE GAME ITSELF IS SIMPLE...

...YOU'LL ALL TAKE TURNS PLAYING A SINGLE CARD INTO A STACK.



TOTAL: 11
(2+3+1+3+2)

LOSE



IF
YOU PLAY A
CARD THAT
BRINGS THE
STACK'S
TOTAL VALUE
OVER TEN,
YOU'RE
OUT.



THAT'S
THE
BASICS
OF IT.
SIMPLE,
RIGHT?

WE'LL
PLAY A
TOTAL OF
THREE
ROUNDS.

THAT WAY,
YOU'RE FREE
TO LEAVE A HAND
IF YOUR CARDS
SUCK, OR TRY
AND BLUFF YOUR
OPPONENTS INTO
FOLDING!

BET

BET MONEY

CALL

MATCH A
PREVIOUS BET

RAISE

BET ADDITIONAL
MONEY

FOLD

EXIT THE HAND

...SO
WE'LL
ALSO PLACE
BETS,
LIKE IN
POKER.

THAT
ALONE
WOULD MAKE
IT A TOTAL
GAME OF
CHANCE...

...THEIR
VOTES WILL BE
DISTRIBUTED
EVENLY TO THE
PLAYERS LEFT
IN THE HAND!



THERE'S
ALWAYS
GONNA
BE ONE
LOSER PER
ROUND...



2 VOTES



2 VOTES



2 VOTES



NODO PROBLEM!
YOU'RE FREE TO
CALL BETS EVEN
IF YOU DON'T
HAVE THE VOTES
TO COVER 'EM!

IF YOU LOSE,
YOU'LL JUST RUN
UP A DEBT OF
VOTES TO THE
WINNERS.



THAT
ABOUT
WRAPS
IT UP!

UWA, I'VE
ONLY GOT
ONE VOTE
ON ME...



...TO
ACCEPT
THOSE
RULES?

SO
HOW'S
THAT?

ARE YOU
WILLING...



...THAT'S
RIGHT.

THE
STUDENT
COUNCIL
PRESIDENT
SAID IT
ONCE...

A
"DEBT" OF
VOTES...?

THEY DIDN'T
TALK ABOUT
THAT AT ALL
WHEN THEY
EXPLAINED
HOW THE
ELECTION
WORKED...



FINE
BY
ME.

SOUNDS
LIKE
FUN!



WHAT
THE
HECK?



GAMBLING
ONLY WORKS
IF BOTH SIDES
AGREE TO IT.



WHAT
DOES
THAT
EVEN
MEAN?

THE
"ABSOLUTE
NEUTRALITY"
SHE TALKED
ABOUT...

HOW
ABOUT
YOU
ARRIVE?

YOU
UP
FOR
IT?

THIS
OUGHT
TO BE
NICE.

...HEE
HEE
HEE!

PER-
FECT!

...YES,
I AM.

...BUT
WHO...

...SENT
THE
INVITES?

I'M SURE
SHE'S HAPPY
THAT SHE
ARRANGED
ALL THIS
TOO.



...IT WAS
ME, THE
VICE-
PRESIDENT.

TO BE CONTINUED IN THE NEXT CHAPTER

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